

SJSU professor reads from novel depicting religious strife

By JON SOLOMON
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

A jetliner rattled as it flew toward Cebu, a small city in the Philippines.

"Passengers in the plane's half-filled cabin were as silent as eggs in a carton, and almost as white."

"Twenty minutes out of Manila, less than an hour from Cebu, a storm hit, turning the skies black. The first big shake opened the luggage bins overhead and sent tumbling any people unlucky enough to be standing," read the second paragraph of Peter Bacho's American Book Award-winning novel "Cebu."

Bacho, who teaches part time in the SJSU English department and Asian-American studies program, read sections from "Cebu" Thursday night before an audience of more than 60 people in Washington Square Hall.

"Cebu," Bacho's first work of fiction, depicts the life of Ben, a Filipino-American priest, as he struggles with personal religious values and where his true home is. He leaves his Seattle home to return his mother Remedios' body to her native Philippines for burial. Ben then meets his Aunt Clara, whose beautiful assistant Ellen eventually leads Ben away from priesthood.

Bacho, who was influenced early on by Filipino literature, draws on Filipino culture and history and weaves it into his stories.

"One of the influences in Filipino literature is essentially existential," Bacho said. "The powers surrounding the individual are so overwhelming, so powerful and so destructive at times."

"It is not really a happy type of literature. There's a deep sense of foreboding."

Bacho read sections detailing the character of Clara, whom he described as a "real tough lady." Clara also personifies the power of the matriarch in Filipino culture.

Bacho read a section from "Cebu" where Clara kills a Japanese soldier.

"She (Clara) knelt down beside him (the soldier), the bayonet clasped firmly in her right hand. Simultaneously, she placed her free hand over his mouth and plunged the blade through the hollow of his throat, between the Adam's apple and breast bone. She buried the blade to the hilt, twisting it violently. The tip pierced the thin floorboard, impaling, impaling the soldier like a mounted insect specimen."

Later in the novel, Clara kills a Korean soldier at a fictional plateau, created by Bacho, overlooking the hills of Cebu. Bacho called it the "magical arena of the red clay."

After Clara plunged a knife into the soldier, "his scream — deep, black and primal — froze the blood of the others..." Bacho read.

Bacho reiterated, "Clara is a tough girl."

"I don't know if I'll read any more gratuitous violence," Bacho joked.

Bacho went on to explain the huge cultural

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Surmounting the horrors of war



Occupational therapy students Elizabeth Devell, left, and Ruth Bulpe, right, help Amy Farhat, an immigrant from Kuwait, work her way to recovery from a shot in the head at the end of the Iraqi war.



Occupational therapy helps woman put war behind her

By NICOLE SIRI
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

"He tied my mouth and raped me," Nehmat Farhat said. "He told me he was trained by the United States to rape and kill."

Farhat's sparkling brown eyes grew serious as she remembered the day she was raped and shot by a Kuwaiti soldier during the retreat of Iraqi troops from Kuwait.

"He told me he was not going to kill me, and then he shot me in the head two times," Farhat said. "I could actually see part of my brain on the floor."

Thirty-two-year-old Farhat poised her small frame in the orange plastic chair in room 114 of SJSU's Central Classroom Building where she receives therapy through the university's occupational therapy program. The cane that helps her walk rested on the chair next to her. Farhat, who wears a scarf over her thick brown hair, walks and moves slowly but talks clearly — all of which doctors told her she would never do again.

With an intense drive to tell her story, Farhat held her voice steady, barely hesitating, as she related events that would make the most injured person's skin crawl. Farhat, who prays for more than two hours each morning, said God gives her the self-determination to survive and go on with her life.

"God created me, and I prayed to him to help me."

Farhat lived her life as a Lebanese resident of Kuwait until the night she was attacked. She lived in the city of Salwa with her father and brother who were murdered by Kuwaiti soldiers that same night.

On March 2, 1991 at 4:30 a.m., Farhat and her family were sleeping when three Kuwaiti soldiers broke into their home. While two soldiers stood guard, the third ordered Farhat's brother to tie up her father and then for Farhat to tie up her brother, she said.

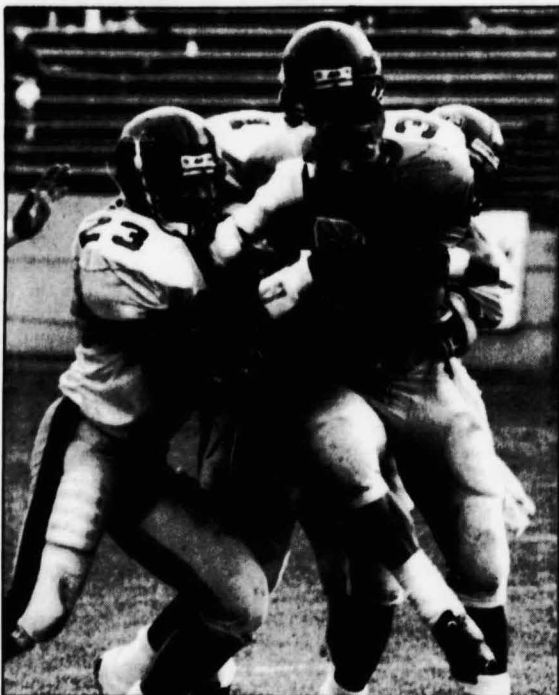
"He said I didn't do a good job of tying my brother so he hit me in the eye with the handle of his weapon and kicked me in the ribs," Farhat said. "Then he told me to make him tea."

The soldier then forced Farhat into the bedroom and raped her.

"I kept asking him why he was doing this to my family and why we deserved to be killed," Farhat said.

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Aggies squeeze Spartans



PATTI EAGAN—SPARTAN DAILY

SJSU tailback Donald Lindsey gets caught in the grip of the New Mexico State Aggies during SJSU's defeat Saturday.

Sierra Leone an important part of African history, speaker says

By AMOS FABIAN
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

Many chapters in African history need to be rewritten in order to challenge the "distorted view of the continent and its people" and to fill in the blanks of African history, foreign languages associate professor Sylvie Kande said Friday.

Kande discussed "Homecoming or Force Migration — African Americans in Sierra Leone" in the Student Union Guadalupe Room before an audience of about 25 people.

The history of Sierra Leone contains an important part of African history. Sierra Leone, a small country in western Africa bordered by Guinea, Liberia and the Atlantic Ocean, Kande said.

Slavery was prevalent in Europe during the 18th century until an 1807 British law freed slaves on British soil, Kande said.

New-found liberation meant unemployment, homelessness and police brutality for many, Kande said. The British solution was to send people of African descent back to Africa.

Four groups of blacks emerged from the British Empire and from other areas, and eventually arrived in Sierra

Leone, she said.

The Black Pools, who came primarily from London, were forced to Sierra Leone without adequate preparations. For instance, they received no protection against the slave traders already on the continent, she said.

A group called Black Loyalists, who joined British troops fighting against American independence, were evacuated to Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.

The Loyalists were eventually sent to Sierra Leone by the British, who imposed taxes and laws against them. The Loyalists rose against the British and took over the African country, she said.

The Maroons were originally free Africans living in Jamaica, she said. The British fought to control their land and succeeded during the 1790s. The British sent the Maroons to Nova Scotia. The Maroons asked to be sent back to Jamaica, but ended up in Sierra Leone, she said.

The British brought one hundred thousand Liberated Africans to African shores and settled them in villages after slave trade throughout the British

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Archaeologist to reveal secrets of ancient Rome

By RICHARD ESPINOZA
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

SJSU will get a glimpse of forgotten engineering secrets of the ancient Romans Tuesday at noon.

Underwater archaeologist Robert Hohlfelder is scheduled to give a presentation titled "The Wonders of Caesarea Maritima" about discoveries at the ancient Israeli port city and harbor of Caesarea Maritima.

The University of Colorado history professor is scheduled to speak in the Engineering Building auditorium, room 189.

The Mediterranean port, which was built between modern-day Tel Aviv and Haifa during King Herod's reign about 2,000 years ago, served as a laboratory for ancient Roman engineers.

Caesarea Maritima was a far-from-ideal natural region in which to build a port, since it had no natural breakwaters. But Herod was determined to build a port city in the area for political and trade reasons. The king's engineers had to develop new technology for the task that helps harbor engineers even today.

While the engineers were looking for better, easier building methods, they learned to use hydraulic concrete on a massive scale. The engineers built large concrete blocks in an off-shore checkerboard pattern, then waited for tide action to fill in the

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EDITORIAL

Closing San Carlos street will benefit the university

Having San Carlos closed will unify the campus and reduce the risk of traffic injury

On Nov. 19, the University Environs Task Force voted to recommend the permanent closure of San Carlos street between Fourth and 10th streets.

Last spring's trial closure proved the viability of this option. The Associate Students were able to conduct a number of functions during that semester, among them elections, club day, the food bazaar, and other events.

More important, it prevented student injury by reducing the chance of accidents. Students did not have to maneuver between cars while crossing the street when rushing to classes.

The closure will serve as a unity factor, a feeling that SJSU is one, unified campus, rather than a university divided by a busy street.

A closed San Carlos street will serve the city of San Jose as well. The area should become a pedestrian mall lined with trees and a possible, future, light rail.

True, not everyone wants the street closed. The businesses surrounding the street would have harder access to customers and commuters would have less parking options. (although how many people have the opportunity to actually park on that stretch?)

The Task Force's recommendation will be reported to the San Jose City Council on Dec. 8 during a public hearing at city hall.

The council will be voting on the issue on June 1993, after reviewing the environmental impact report to be conducted by SJSU.

The Task Force recommends the closure. SJSU's Interim President J. Handel Evans wants it. We recommend the closure of San Carlos as well.

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They may also be mailed to the Forum Editor, The Spartan Daily, Department of Journalism and Mass Communications, San Jose State University, One Washington Square, San Jose, CA, 95192. Or they can be FAXed to (408) 924-3282.

Articles and letters MUST contain the author's name, phone number, address and major (if a student).

Contributions must be typed or submitted on a 3.5-inch computer disk using Microsoft Word on the Macintosh or Word for Windows. Always bring a print-out of your letter.

Submissions become property of the Spartan Daily and will be edited for grammar, libel and length.

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FRED LIMPET — SPARTAN DAILY

Hooray, I'm finally 21! So ... now what am I to do

Today is my twenty-first birthday. It's a poignant day. I've looked forward to it for at least 6 years, but now that it's here, I'm not quite sure what I should do about it.

While counting down to today, I wasn't shy to announce that my 21st birthday was just around the corner. I mean, I want as many parties and presents as possible. The typical conversation was this:

"Wow — only (blank) more days until my birthday!" I'd exclaim.

To which my more chronologically mature friends would respond: Oooh, twenty-one. The last good birthday.

Oh, gee, thanks. Just what I want to hear.

I got really depressed over these conversations, and, as a result, wrote a rough draft of this column in which the closing paragraph was "I've always wondered why it is acceptable for a person to get really out-of-control-hammered on their 21st birthday. Now I know — it's the only way to blot out the future, and all of the frightening questions that go along with getting old."

My life isn't ending. It's beginning. I'm finally achieving my goal of being legal to do anything except rent a car.

Jeez ... anyone got any Prozac?

So I read the depressing column to my mom on Thursday night, and she straightened me out in that endearing mom-like way she has.

I think mom was pretty scared about the paragraph in which I asked if it was o.k. for my parents to die, and she sighed and offered me a pep talk.

"Jeez, Marilynn, you make it sound like all of the doors of opportunity are closing in your face."

"But, Mom," I wailed. "That's how I feel!"

I am really not ready to

become a grown-up. I know that it is unavoidable, but I also know that there is nothing I can do about it. All of the signs of impending grown-up-hood are in place. The other day I received a pre-approved Visa card (with a 6,500 dollar limit — whoopee! Let's go to Paris!!) in the mail. Little kids are calling me "ma'am, and nobody's called me "young lady" for at least 6 months. I'm finding gray hairs on an almost daily basis. No Boy Scouts have materialized to walk me across the street, but I'm sure it's just a matter of time.

But Mom gave me a verbal shaking over the phone. And, after her maternal pep-talk, I felt as if my life had been turned around.

Mom was right. My life isn't ending. It's beginning. I'm finally achieving my goal of being legal to do anything except rent a car. Graduation is just around the corner (although I still have a good part of the block left to walk). You name it, I'm facing it.

But it's kind of cool. I see a lot of the doors to my youth closing behind me, but I can still see myself singing Floyd or



Lynn Benson

Now That I Have Your Attention

Peter Gabriel songs with my roommate as we hurtle down Highway 280, blasting the stereo with the sunroof open and our sunglasses on. And, for further reassurance, I'll see most of my friends at the Pub tonight at 7:30 (come on down! The more, the merrier!). We're even having cupcakes in honor of the occasion in my 11:30 Critical Thinking class. And, heck, if things like that remain in my future, I think I can handle the new experiences I'll be facing.

Lynn Benson is a Daily staff columnist. Her column appears every Monday.

Remaining a nice guy after a lost relationship

Nice guys finish last. I have often thought that this statement applies to me, especially when dealing with a member of the opposite sex.

I was last in the dating scene just over three years ago and heard a phrase that was far more evil than any in the English language. "You're a nice guy."

Shut the door, lock it and go home — time to start looking for someone else. Being called "nice" is the kiss of death, a road-sign warning "dead-end ahead." I thought nice was a character flaw; like a bad fashion sense.

I figured being nice was something that I would just have to overcome. Most women I knew wanted to go out with a "bad boy."

Then after passing up a good time with the contemptible nice guy many of those same women would complain about how they were treated by "bad boys." While I would think "Why be with them if you're treated this way?" I thought I would be the perfect person by treating them right. But I was wrong.

My only hope is that being nice and treating a woman with respect is a quality instead of a blight on my character now.

I had the hideous curse of being the nice guy who was fun to be around but any romantic plans were not in the picture. Then it all changed. I met a girl who actually liked the way I treated her and I thought my troubles were over.

I had conquered the nice guy curse by finding one of the women in the world that would appreciate someone with my condition. We were engaged and I thought I wouldn't have to worry about my problem again.

But in life we all must go through changes, some bad, some good and some we don't

know the effect of for many years. I am in that transitional zone after losing a three year relationship that I thought would never end.

Now thrust back into the life that I had despised three years ago and loved to look down upon from when I was happily involved — I am scared.

I am afraid that the malady that had affected me before I was involved still is within me waiting to get me in trouble. My only hope is that being nice and treating a woman with respect is a quality instead of a blight on my character now.

There have been a few changes since the last time I could call myself single. I am a motorcycle roadracer, not necessarily the image of a safe hobby. In a weird sort of way I hope the danger and intrigue involved in racing will give me a little edge, a little rebel image to me. It wasn't the reason I started racing it might just be a by-product of racing.

I also have hair that is quite long compared to my old single days, another characteristic that the typical "niceguy" might not have.

The one thing that has not changed is my character. I still



Eric Hove

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think about treating women with respect and in the way I would want to be treated. If there is someone I would want to go out with I would try to be as nice as possible to them instead of playing games. I just hope the idea works now.

Now that I am not just a youngster starting out in college, maybe things have changed in the last four years, maybe there is someone who will appreciate my affliction. The dating scene is scary from what I see and I will have to get my feet wet before jumping in.

I just hope the water isn't too cold.

Eric Hove is a Daily staff writer.

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Recovery: Occupational therapy student helps heal scars of war



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Farhat makes a fruit salad with Ruth Bulpe, an occupational therapy senior who is her therapist. They alternate between exercises and making the fruit salad to see if the pain decreases.

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The soldier said it was because the Iraqi soldiers had come to visit her family a few days earlier. Farhat tried to explain to him that her father was beaten and burned by the Iraqis because they found he was working for Kuwait's criminal investigation department.

Farhat begged him to go to the police to verify that the Iraqis came as enemies. The soldier said it was not necessary because Kuwait was operating under martial law that allowed the military to kill any person or family if treason was suspected. He then took her to the bathroom, tied her

mouth, raped her again and shot her, Farhat said.

Farhat lay in a pool of her blood for four hours before her neighbor heard her yelling and called an ambulance. She was taken to Kuwait's Ibn-Sina Hospital where she underwent surgery.

During her stay at the hospital, Farhat said, her room was constantly guarded by two Kuwaiti soldiers because the government wanted to cover up the incident.

Farhat's mother and two brothers lived in America during the war and did not know what had happened to their family. When Farhat discovered ABC reporter

Brian Rooney was at the hospital, she secretly slipped him her brother, Naim's, phone number and asked Rooney to contact him.

When Rooney contacted Naim about his family, Naim immediately contacted U.S. Congressman Leon Pineta (D-Monterey). Pineta, in turn, called the U.S. ambassador to Kuwait, Edward Gnehm, Farhat said.

Gnehm paid Farhat a visit at the hospital to investigate, Naim said. The manager of the hospital, who had also performed the surgery on Farhat, told her to tell Gnehm the Iraqis had shot her.

Farhat, who could barely speak at the time, said she refused to lie about the soldiers' actions.

Although the Kuwaitis tried to prevent Farhat from speaking to the Americans, one of Gnehm's assistants was able to talk to her.

"The manager would not let the Americans get very close to me," Farhat said. "But one American woman knelt by my wheelchair and I told her to stay after everyone left, and I would tell her my story."

Once Gnehm was informed of the incident, the administrator immediately discharged Farhat from the hospital because she was "causing trouble," Farhat said.

Farhat hid from the Kuwaitis at a friend's house until the American government could get her out of the country. She arrived in California on Sept. 1, 1991.

Mary Becker, chief of staff of Pineta's Monterey office, said Pineta worked closely with the family and governments to get Farhat out of Kuwait. Pineta's staff is now working with the family to make Farhat a legal resident of

America, Becker said.

After undergoing surgery at San Mateo's Mills-Peninsula Hospital, Farhat moved to Milpitas with her brother. Her medical doctors have rendered all services for free. She still has nightmares and anxiety attacks that, at times, put her in the hospital, she said.

Farhat was referred to SJSU by her psychiatrist and has received therapy from SJSU senior Ruth Bulpe for about a month.

"She is a miracle," Bulpe said. "She has treated herself mentally, is highly motivated, determined and strong."

Amy's occupational therapy is designed to help her coordinate her abnormal muscles with her normal muscles, so she can function normally again.

Farhat and her brother plan to petition the United Nations to file a human rights complaint against Kuwait, Naim said.

A formal lawsuit will also be filed against Kuwait sometime

between February and March, he said. Farhat is prepared to testify against Kuwait. The Kuwaiti government has tried to contact Farhat, but she refuses to respond.

"They say that they want to investigate my case," she said. "They should have done that while I was in their hospital for six months."

Farhat is trying to obtain a job through the U.S. State Department. She'll resume her occupational therapy in February.

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CAMPUS CHRISTIAN CENTER: Word Bible study, noon - 1 p.m., Campus Christian Center, call 298-0204.

CAREER PLANNING AND PLACEMENT: Co-op Orientation, 1:30 p.m., SU Almaden Room, call 924-6033.

CHICANO COMMENCEMENT COMMITTEE: General planning meeting, 3:30 p.m., Chicano Resource Center (WLN 307), call 924-2707.

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SJSU WING CHUN ASSOCIATION: Meeting, 7 - 9 p.m., Women's Gym Patio Area, call 249-8573.

SOCIOLOGY CLUB: Jerusalem: "The Bridge to Peace - A Documentary," Engineering Auditorium 189, 7 p.m., call 924-5320.

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neering 189, call 924-3860 or 354-1655.

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Salvation Army worker arrested for selling pot

MENOMONEE FALLS, Wis. (AP) — A Salvation Army bell ringer collecting money for Christmas was arrested for allegedly selling marijuana to high school students, police say.

Authorities spotted the 24-year-old Milwaukee man selling a small amount of the drug to a 14-year-

old Friday. A Salvation Army spokesman said the man was immediately fired.

"He was one of our bell ringers last year," said Robert Reasoner, an officer with the Salvation Army. "We had no problems at all."

The man was a paid employee, earning \$4.25 an hour, not a volunteer, Reasoner said.

Sierra Leone

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Empire was prohibited in 1807, Kande said.

Historians see the four migrant groups as a unified one which formed a specific westernized culture called Creoles, disconnected from other native Africans, Kande said.

Based on her research, the so-called Creoles never referred to themselves as such, but as "inhabitants of the Peninsula," or "Sierra Leonans," she said.

Historians say the Sierra Leone capital of Freetown was built by the British in an effort to separate the different groups, Kande said. But the city actually reflected the

diversity and the blending of the four groups, she said.

Sierra Leone has been a relatively advanced society since the 19th century, when it boasted one of the first printing presses in Africa, a university, and political and economical involvement by women, she said.

Students should be more intellectually involved in studying the history of Africa so they can develop better strategies for linking Africans here with those on the African continent, said Akubundu Amazu, an urban planning graduate.

Music lecturer Baomi Butts-Bhanji said Kande's lecture was important because she didn't realize Sierra Leone had such an important connection between the slave trade and present-day African Americans.

The lecture was sponsored by African-American Leaders Educating and Rising Together and presented by the African-American Faculty and Staff Association.

Friday's lecture was the third in the Kamakunji lecture series. "Kamakunji" is Swahili for "a coming together of minds."

The fourth and last lecture in the series, on "Marketing the Children," is scheduled for Dec. 4.

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difference between Filipinos and American Filipinos.

"There are differences in the prisms of examination," he said. "An ideal prism of examination is Catholicism."

Filipino Americans practice religion on Sundays, and the religion is forgotten the other six days of the week, he said.

"Put that in contrast with Filipinos where religion is part of the heartbeat of the people."

On the subject of religion, Bacho spoke of Carlito, a character in "Cebu" who led an impure life. Carlito's granddaughter's life had been taken, and he wanted to trade a life for a life. He figures he can strike a deal with God by being crucified.

Crucifixions occasionally take place in the Philippines, but the difference between Carlito's crucifixion and those that normally occur is that Carlito was willing to give up his life; he doesn't have to, Bacho said.

Ben, Clara and Marites travel to the plateau where Carlito was tied to the cross.

"Carlito's worst day would be remembered by Polaroid," Bacho said, referring to a picture a driver

took of Carlito's dead body.

Ben is outraged at the situation, Bacho said, but it was part of Clara's plan to lead Ben away from the priesthood.

After the reading, Bacho opened the forum for a few questions. When asked by a member in the audience how long it took to write "Cebu," he said he worked on it a few years ago. He knew he could write editorials but he had questions whether he could write fiction.

"I really didn't get a boost until an excerpt of the book was picked up by the Seattle Review, which was out of the University of Washington's writing department."

With that as a boost I completed the novel within a year," he said.

Bacho may possibly conduct a fiction workshop at SJSU in the future, said English Professor Alan Soldofsky, director of the SJSU Center for Literary Arts.

Bacho, who is also a journalist and a lawyer, has worked as a staff attorney with the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

"He went to law school and wrote fiction at the same time," Soldofsky said. "Those are hard things to mix. That tells something about Peter's character."

Secrets: Forum Tuesday

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empty squares of the checkerboard.

Many technological breakthroughs of the ancient Romans were lost over the ages to an intellectual bias that affected the writers at the time. Today's libraries have a wealth of artistic literature from the ancients, but technology was considered too mundane to be preserved in writing, Hohlfelder said.

The only way to recapture those lost technical secrets is through archaeological work, Hohlfelder said.

Hohlfelder served as co-director at the Caesarea site since 1978. He has explored other underwater archaeological sites in Greece, Italy and Spain. He is working on harbor exploration in Phapras, Cyprus.

He will be in the Bay Area to present a series of papers in San Francisco.

Students protest denial of tenure

DALLAS (AP) — Nearly two dozen Southern Methodist University students staged a sit-in to support a black law professor who was denied tenure.

The two-hour protest Friday in the office of law school Dean Paul Rogers was sponsored by the Black Law Students Association.

Rogers denied tenure to Associate Law Professor Ndiva Kofele-Kale last spring, despite a favorable

review by the school's three-member tenure committee and a 20-4 vote by the tenured faculty in his favor.

University President A. Kenneth Pye said he would make a decision on Kofele-Kale's appeal for tenure by year's end.

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SJSU falls to Aggies 34-24, loses Big West race

Spartans' title run halted by New Mexico State



SJSU quarterback Jeff Garcia escapes the New Mexico State defense during the Aggies' 34-24 win Saturday at Spartan Stadium. The loss dropped the Spartans to second place in the final

Big West Conference standings and may have cost SJSU a chance to play in the Dec. 18 Las Vegas Bowl. Garcia threw for 351 yards and three touchdowns on the day.

Loss drops SJSU to second-place in Big West, hands Nevada-Reno conference championship

By DON MCGEE
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

With tears in his eyes SJSU senior Raymond Bowles couldn't find the words to express how he felt. Bowles just sat in the Spartan locker room and stared into space. "It just hurt," he said.

What hurt was the Spartans' 34-24 loss to New Mexico State Saturday at Spartan Stadium.

And what hurt even worse was that the loss may have ended the season for the Spartans, who entered the game only needing to beat the Aggies to earn a trip to the Dec. 18 Las Vegas Bowl.

"We just couldn't get it done," said Bowles, who played his last home game as a Spartan. "You gotta give New Mexico State credit, they played one hell of a game."

Things started well for the Spartans who took the opening kickoff and marched down the field with strong running from tailback Nathan DuPree and pinpoint passing by quarterback Jeff Garcia.

With the ball at the Aggies 25-yard line Garcia hit wide receiver Brian Lundy in the corner of the end zone to give the Spartans the early 7-0 lead.

New Mexico State got its first points on a one-yard TD run from running back Lawrence Truehill, which was set up by a DuPree fumbled deep in Spartan territory.

The Aggies went on to take a 14-7 lead highlighted by a 45-yard pass completion from Aggie quarterback Charles Puleri — who lit up the Spartan secondary all day on 23-38 passing for 425 yards and two TD passes — to wide receiver Fred Montgomery. Truehill scored his second of three rushing TD's on the very next play on a one-yard run up the middle.

But the Spartans came back on the very next drive to knot the game at 14, when Garcia found a wide-open Jerry Reese streaking across the middle. Reese caught

the pass from Garcia, slipped a tackle before cutting to the outside and outran several Aggies to the end zone for a 52-yard TD. It was Reese's first TD of the season.

Both teams traded touchdowns in the third quarter. But Aggie placekicker Bubba Culin missed an extra point — his second of the day — giving the Spartans a narrow 21-20 advantage entering the fourth quarter of play.

After a 46-yard field goal by place-kicker Joe Nedney, the Spartans had a 24-20 lead with a little over 13-minutes to go in the contest.

SJSU seemed to be in reach of its third-straight Big West championship and a spot in the Las Vegas Bowl — only to see the game come apart for them in the final minutes.

The Aggies needed less than two-minutes to grab a 27-24 lead when running back Brian Pizula took a screen pass from Puleri and darted 17 yards for what proved to be the winning score.

The candle finally flickered out for the Spartans when on fourth and 10 from the Aggie 40-yard line Garcia fired a desperation pass over the middle that was intercepted by Aggies safety Don Showers.

New Mexico State added another score to clinch its first winning season since 1978. The Aggies ended the season at 3-3 in the Big West and 6-5 overall.

"I congratulate these kids," said Aggie Head Coach Jim Hess. "They battled both offensively and defensively, they just played wonderful."

The atmosphere wasn't so cheery for the Spartans, who fell to 4-2 in the Big West and 7-4 overall.

"We knew what was on the line for us today," Turner said. "We didn't get it done. It's a tough loss obviously but New Mexico State played better than us."

SJSU still has a chance to make Las Vegas Bowl

By STEVEN CHAE
Spartan Daily Staff Writer

Senior Anthony Washington knew Saturday's game was his last at home. A victory over New Mexico State would ensure a Big West title, a trip to the Las Vegas Bowl and a storybook ending to the Spartan defender's sparkling career at Spartan Stadium.

But it was not to be. In a game that featured almost a thousand yards in total offense, the Aggie passing attack eventually overwhelmed the Spartans, who lost 34-24.

But like they have all season, the Spartans haven't given up yet. With a conference record of 5-1, Nevada-Reno clinched the Big West title and would seem to be the likely opponent to Mid-American Conference champion Bowling Green in Las Vegas Dec. 18.

But NCAA bylaw 30.9.2, which requires at least six wins over Division I-A competition to qualify for post-season bowl games, could disqualify the Wolf Pack. Nevada, who beat Texas Southern 38-14 Saturday, is one win short of fulfilling that requirement.

SJSU Sports Information Director Lawrence Fan said the university was "taking administrative action to present its case that it should be the Big West representative to the bowl."

Fan said such a decision is not without precedent. He referred to the situation in the Big 10 conference, which calls for the third-place team to play the winner of the Western Athletic Conference in the Holiday Bowl. However, since Michigan State, who came in third, lacks the necessary six Division IA wins, the fourth-place team Illinois won the bid.

Gary Pine, Director of Information for the Big West Conference, said the issue would be decided on Wednesday by the NCAA Administrative committee and expected a decision then.

"It's out of our hands," said Pine.

Pine conceded that the precedent set in the Big 10 would appear to benefit SJSU, but added that "there may be additional credence given to a conference champion."

"I'd love to see these guys have the opportunity to go," SJSU Head Coach Ron Turner said after Saturday's defeat. "They've worked hard, and if that's the way

they rule, then I'll be happy."

But for the seniors, who wanted Saturday's game to be a coronation, the loss was especially tough.

Inside the quiet Spartan locker room, Washington sat slumped, never lifting his eyes' focus from the grime covering the concrete floor. The usually effervescent rover spoke almost inaudibly, barely above a whisper.

"We just didn't play hard enough," he said. "Basically, we should have won, but we just didn't do it right."

It was too early, the loss still too fresh in his mind for Washington to reflect on his career as a

Spartan other than "I know that I gave all that I had, played for as long as I could. Sometimes this just happens."

Defensive tackle Marty Lyon said "We didn't deserve it. We didn't win it, so we don't deserve it."

Asked if he hoped the NCAA ruling would go the Spartans way, Lyon said, "Of course we'll go. But it would be a charity case. We don't deserve it."

Quarterback Jeff Garcia was clearly in pain after the game, but not from the wound that dripped blood from his chin. Garcia's thoughts were with the seniors, particularly offensive guard Mike

Fortino, who shares an apartment with Garcia. Garcia and Fortino have been teammates since their days at Gilroy High School and Gavilan College.

"Those seniors are going to be missed, definitely. It makes it really hard, cause you feel so much for those guys," Garcia said, drawing in a deep breath. "It's their last game, and it hurts, hurts real deep."

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